TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1072 - SB 1164

March 11, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes students enrolled in an apprenticeship training program to be eligible for the Tennessee Promise scholarship if they meet all other requirements. Requires an apprenticeship program to be presented or sponsored by an association of a trade industry; be open to anyone 18 years of age or older with a high school diploma, GED or HiSET diploma; allow students to work in the trade full-time while attending school; require a basic knowledge of tools, safety, technology, codes, and the appropriate legal requirements and rules; be certified by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, and approved by the Veteran's Administration; and be offered at a technology and trade center in Tennessee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$691,300/Tennessee Promise Scholarship Special Reserve Account

Assumptions:

- United States Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, estimates there were 5,976 registered apprentices in Tennessee in Federal FY13-14.
- The Tennessee Student Assistance Commission (TSAC) is currently unable to provide a an estimate of how many apprenticeship training students might be eligible for this program in the future.
- If at least ten percent of registered apprenticeship training students, or 598, were eligible, and received a scholarship in the amount of \$1,156 per year, beginning with FY15-16, the recurring increase in state expenditures from the Tennessee Promise Scholarship Special Reserve Account is estimated to exceed \$691,288 (598 x \$1,156).

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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